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Boston. Feb 23. Saturday evening. I dispatched a letter to you my dear Deborah, this afternoon by the way of Weymouth. Dr Follen called this morning & was very agreeable. He is on the Map Board in place of Colver. His article on Pease is to appear in the March No of the Democrat in Review. But Chubbuck has written to the Dr that he has left out all the Bible argument of the article & also softened down some objections that seem to have a bearing on the slavery question. This the Dr did not like. Mr G. kindly & modestly proposes that the Abolitionists should disband their societies and come individually to the South & petition the Legislatures; to be sure they very likely would a few of them lose their lives, but still it would do good. I forgot to say that Caroline had yesterday a letter from Lucretia. She says she shall be with us in 3 months and appears very glad of that same. He is at Cherry Grove. The Gov. is going to put his children out to school; he frequently wishes he never had had them which is to say the least, candid. This afternoon a Board meeting was held to take N. Y. over the coals. Some of the Board did not seem to come up to the work as they might have done. Ellis & Sam for instance; but it is to be hoped they do not understand the state of the case. St Clair has resigned his agency which resignation has been accepted. Probably he will now labour for N. Y. It has been said that Coddins is coming here. Have you seen the Human Rights extra. It contains a statement that the \$500 of the Map Boston Female was given to the National on the condition that Stanton should address the Society or some thing of that sort when the fact was that the speech of Stanton as you well remember was made before any vote had been made by the Soc. The circular in the S. B. is dated the 11th. Now though our Ambassadors were in N. Y. the 19 & probably this circular was printed at the time not a word was said by the Committee intimating that they had taken the final step. On the contrary they tried to keep them longer waiting all they could. Henry upbraided Stanton with all these things & he was no other confused. Poor little Henry just before dark was taken with such distress in his stomach that we sent in for Dr Hale. It appeared that during the afternoon he had eaten two apples. This had nearly brought on spasms of the stomach & for half an hour he was in great agony & the house turned upside down. But the Dr aided with the greatest good sense and gave him a dose of ipecac which soon put all right. He has had one or two such turns before, & we are therefore satisfied that his difficulty is with his digestive powers. Dr Hale paid great care as to his diet was necessary and that he would be better in the country. Dr Farnsworth said the same. I shall therefore take him with me when I go to Weymouth & have sent back diary.

Monday morning Feb 25. Saturday evening Maria called at Ellis' to try to put him straight. She partially succeeded. Caroline spent the evening at Garrison's. She there learned what you must for the present confine to your own bosom namely that G. Smith is very friendly to non-resistance. We really feel alarmed lest there should not a single fighting man be left to us, for Collins is a Non-resistance. The little piece signed Consistency in the last paper was by Orange Scott. It Cloin thinks it to be one of "Garrison's runners" has written a spiteful little thing of which will be in the next Liberator. Sunday morning I went to the Free Ch & heard Torrey. He is a miserable preacher. I dined at Chauncy Pl. in the afternoon Mary & I went to Bro Kings'. Edward took tea with us. He looks delicate, but is better. He has written a most beautiful letter begging for the N. R. cause. It is a lovely letter. I will send it you when lithographed. I shall stay in town this week as there is some prospect of our Society's holding a meeting. Your letters by Isaac have just come. I will copy them out to Roxbury this afternoon, but I must say you ought to see that proposals are more definite if you expect them to be settled at any definite time.

The question of the palmy is the thing. You are not quite apt enough to pin things. But C. must do as she thinks best in the premises. As to the disposal of the little paper I advise you to distribute them among safe people such as Ann M. Bailey, Mary Congden etc. Has the new paper obtained any subscribers there? Labors incessantly, leave no stone unturned. "Don't sin per" Maria says "but be very explicit". If N. G. or any body else comes on & gets a few hundreds out of Andrew Noble's, we shall require it at your hands. Maria wants to know how you think it would answer for her to come down to New Bedford & stay 2 days at Mrs Howland's in order to see Andrew, & to collect pledges & set things straight etc? I shall send you Angelina's letters by Abby. I would send them now but Ann Terry has not seen them. Women called here last Saturday. He seemed to be well. James Sparks is engaged to ~~William~~ ~~William~~ ~~William~~ ~~William~~ ~~William~~ ~~William~~. Your Liberator shall come next Saturday as also Mr Howland's. I should just as well send Lucretia the Martyr's Age. It must be directed to Coeilton. We have seen nothing of Hildreth. I suppose he is still at Cape Ann. The weather is such I can

hardly go out at all. It very much lets & hinders me. I will write more when I come from Roxbury. Little Henry is getting poorly, & if I shall not feel easy about him till I get him to Weymouth, I had seen the little paper about Thompson in the Atlas; but the N. Y. paper has omitted all that was favorable. The correspondent goes on to remark that Thompson was thought in England to be a man of the greatest sense & eloquence that Lord Brougham thought very highly of him etc.

I have been out to Roxbury with your letter to Caroline through the rain is pouring & the mud up to ones knees. She sends her love & says she will write to you to night by mail, so you will get it next day after tomorrow. Your letter was so vague that her answer cannot be determined, but she will write one that you can show to people. You need say nothing till her letter comes. A paper came from Thompson to day but nothing special in it. Your Liberator shall come without fail.

I send you the notice of S. Hildreth's death. Send it back to me.

I send you a letter of E. Wrights that you must return.

The letters you sent me were very glad of. They shall be returned safely, but Maria wanted to show them to E. J. Loring

Yrs ever Anne.

(Maria has called this afternoon upon the Garrison's.

Mrs G. told M. that she had become convinced of M. D. P.'s utter baseless. That she is false & personified. She thinks that it was Mrs D. who made her sign the protest.

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Kindness of Mr. Taber.